

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

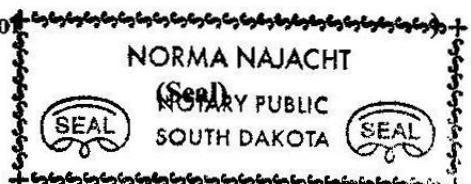
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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER <i>Custer County Chronicle</i>		2. DATE OF FILING <i>12-19-02</i>
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE <i>Weekly</i>	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY <i>52</i>	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE <i>\$297.35</i>
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) <i>522 Mt. Rushmore Rd Custer SD 57730</i>		
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) <i>Southern Hills Publishing Inc. PO Box 551 Custer SD 57730</i>		
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: <i>Charles W. Najacht</i>		
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.) FULL NAME <i>Southern Hills Publishing Inc PO BOX 551 Custer SD 57730</i> COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS		
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form. <i>First Western Bank 648 Mt. Rushmore Rd Custer SD 57730</i>		
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION		
AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS		
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	2200	2200
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION		
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	800	780
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	1230	1223
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	2030	2003
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION		
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS	50	48
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES	0	0
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	2080	2051
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED		
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	100	125
2. Return from News Agents	20	26
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)	2200	2200
SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER		
I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete. <i>Charles W. Najacht</i>		

State of South Dakota

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County of _____



Sworn to before me this 19th day of

December, 2002

Norma Najacht

Notary Public

My commission expires May 5, 2006

50% - Charles W. Najacht PO Box 551, Custer SD 57730

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